

From The President

"It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forevermore."

- John Adams,
writing in 1776 about Independence Day

In a world which sometimes seems to be spinning out of control, Fourth of July celebrations are one of those things which don't change much over the years, as the words of John Adams demonstrate. It just wouldn't be the Fourth of July without parades, shows, games, and, of course, fireworks ("illuminations", as Adams called them).

This special edition newsletter previews an event which lives up to its name: The Crescent Hill **Old Fashioned** Fourth of July. The event begins with a parade of antique cars and ends with fireworks, with shows and games for all ages sandwiched in between. Your community council, led by event chairperson Stan Hudson, has been working hard to make sure it's the kind of Fourth of July celebration you, and generations before you, have come to expect and enjoy.

As the Old Fashioned Fourth of July has grown in recent years, we've come to rely on it to help pay the bills, allowing us to fund improvements to the Peterson-Dumesnil House, sponsor major beautification projects, and, most recently, contribute to the rejuvenation of the Crescent Hill Library: As you pass the cake wheel or consider buying a brat or soft drink on the Fourth, remember that your nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars will be used to improve your neighborhood.

Our main purpose, though, is to throw a party the neighborhood enjoys. We're celebrating Independence Day, Kentucky's Bicentennial - and life in Crescent Hill. Please join us!

Bill Hollander



Early Registrants for Arts & Crafts Fair

The Old Fashioned Fourth of July Arts & Crafts Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. under the trees at the Peterson-Dumesnil House, 301 South Peterson Avenue.

The fair has developed a well-deserved reputation as a quality exhibition, without the hassles associated with many bigger shows.

Last year, more than 50 artists and craftspeople participated in the Crescent Hill fair. A number of the exhibitors will be returning this year, along with some new faces. Those committed by the time the newsletter went to press include painters (both oils and watercolors), woodworkers, potters, jewelers and weavers:

- Janet Buschmann - baskets, jewelry
- Isabella Bickel - Southwest arts, crafts, jewelry
- Betty Page - jewelry, earrings
- Mary Lee Borders - stuffed toys, ceramics, dolls, pillows
- Kathryn Thornton - pottery
- Sharon Harris & Carroll Grassman - wood, fabric crafts
- Jewelry Haddens (Stevenson, Benton & Saylor) - hand crafted jewelry
- Cheryl Busch, Debbie McMeans, Jacque Shadle - baskets, eucalyptus and dried flower decorations
- Mickey Hackett - watercolors, acrylics, kinetic art
- Marea Stratton - pottery, handmade ceramic pins
- Frances Harrington - seashell art
- Rose Mary Hoefflin - jewelry, windchimes
- Samuel Dickman - wood and ceramics

- Helen Akers - hand designed and painted sweats, dolls
- Joyce & Albert Thompson - handcrafted miniatures
- Vikki Myers - petal porcelain jewelry, bird houses and bird feeders
- Alex Shostle - doll houses, stables, room boxes
- Donna Bowley - watercolors and water color jewelry
- Reta Broadway - dried flowers
- Anna Pietrolonardo - herbal/wood wall hangings, potpourri-filled soft sculpture
- Irene Owen - hand quilted pillows, wall hangings, vests from old quilts
- Anne Ebendorf - necklace/earring sets and bracelets
- John Ferguson - original oil paintings
- Silk Expressions (Karen Scarbrough) - silk flowers and wearable art
- Ursuline Retired Sisters - handmade items, crochet, needlepoint, etc.
- Cheng Shen - jewelry, bags
- Stonefish Gallery (Jim Greenwood) - hand painted and printed shirts, handcrafted jewelry
- Donna Watts - plastic jewelry and hand made greeting cards
- Carol Archibald - hand stitched scarf and earring sets, headbands
- Patricia Jones - hand sewn bears & bunnies, baskets
- Elizabeth Anderson - beading, needle work, sculpture, bias relief wood carving
- Creations by Joie (Joie R. Rowles) - stained and beveled glass designs
- Doris Ann Beyer

Antique Cars on Parade & Display

More than 40 antique cars will parade through Crescent Hill on the morning of July 4 - and be on display at the Old Fashioned Fourth of July in the afternoon.

The third annual antique car parade gets underway at the Masonic Home at 3701 Frankfort Avenue at 11 am. The cars will travel west on Frankfort Avenue and south on South Peterson Avenue, before arriving at the Peterson-Dumesnil House at 301 South Peterson Avenue.

Crescent Hill resident Grady Clay will be the grand marshal of the parade. Clay is a journalist and author. He was urban affairs editor of *The Courier-Journal* and served as editor of *Landscape Architecture* magazine for 23 years. Clay has published one book and is working on two others. He is currently featured on WFPL's Noon Report on Wednesdays in "Crossing the American Grain with Grady Clay." Clay lives in Crescent Hill with his wife Judith McCandless, a certified planner and architect, who serves as a director of the Peterson-Dumesnil House Foundation.

WAVE-TV's Ryan Halloran will serve as master of ceremonies for the parade, describing the cars as they arrive on the Peterson-Dumesnil House grounds.

Following the parade, most of the antique cars will be on display there until 4 pm.

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